(SRI KADIDAL MANJAPPA.)

(*b*) An estimate for Rs. 9,500 is got up and is under consideration.

Sri MUDDURAMIAH.—I have no supplementaries.

Sowrashtra Community (Representation in Government Service.)

Q.—870. Sri R. ANANTARAMAN (Chamarajapet).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the total population of the Sowrashtra community in our State according to the latest Census ;

(*b*) the number of officials, both gazetted and non-gazetted of the above community in our State service ;

(*c*) the number of Probationers of the above community selected since 1938-39 to any department ?

A.—Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA (Minister for Revenue and Public Works) —

(*a*) Information not available as there was no detailed caste tabulation during 1951 Census.

(*b*) Separate figures for this community are not available. However Sourashtra Community comes under Other Caste Hindus and the number of appointments held by Other Caste Hindus in the State as on 31st March 1952 is as follows :—

Non-Gazetted appointments.	*Gazetted appointments.*
5,853	231.

(*c*) Information not readily available.

Sri R. ANANTARAMAN.—May I know what was the population of the community in 1940-41 ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—I want notice. I am not sure whether this community was classified in the last Census.

Mr. SPEAKER.—There is no such classification. I searched for it this morning out of curiosity.

Sri R. ANANTARAMAN.—Do you admit that this community is very backward now ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—I cannot admit it straightaway without getting necessary information.

Sri R. ANANTARAMAN.—Are the Government aware that there is only one graduate of that community and that there are no educated persons of that community at all ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—I do not know.

Sri A. BHEEMAPPA NAIK.—There is an obvious mistake, Sir. The population of the Sourashtra community is the question and what is the number of probationers from this community ?

Mr. SPEAKER.—There is the number given under the classification 'Other Caste Hindus' and that community is classified under 'Other Caste Hindus'.

Feeder channel of Ojugunte Tank in Sira Taluk.

Q.—876. Sri B. N. RAME GOWDA (Sira).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether it has come to their notice that the work of the feeder channel to Ojugunte tank in Sira taluk is left half completed ;

(*b*) when and for what amount the estimate for this work was sanctioned ;

(*c*) the amount that has been spent on this work till now and the stage at which the work is stopped ;

(*d*) since how long the work has been stopped and the reasons for stopping the work ;

(*e*) whether they will intend completing this feeder channel early ?

A.—Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA (Minister for Revenue and Public Works) —

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) 1946.
Rs. 18,820.

(*c*) Rs. 7,767. Excavation of channel, breach filling and construction of relieving weir have been done.

(*d*) Since 1948. For want of contractors at the sanctioned rates. An alternative arrangement is also under consideration.